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The present invention relates to herbal composition and methods of administering an herbal composition, comprising geranium oil and extracts from roots of the plants of the genus *Sophora*, particularly *S. flavescens* and *S. tonkinensis*, to humans and other mammalian animals with gastric ulcers induced by *H. pylori* infection. The same composition is shown to be able to eradicate *H. pylori* in vitro. The invention also relates to a composition comprising citronellol and extracts from roots of *Sophora* plants. The present invention further relates to the use of citronellol to inhibit gastric ulcers. The invention also relates to the use of the same composition to inhibit the enzymatic activity of Na<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>-ATPase to strengthen heart muscle contractions and prevent heart failure.

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